

Get Connected *Stay Connected*

Your presence here matters.

connect

Fill out this Connection Card and include it in today's offering. New around here? Address changes? Fill out what's relevant.

Today's Date: January 6, 2019

Your Name(s)

Address

City State Zip

Telephone Number

Email

give

Many of us give in ways other than putting money in the offering plate each week. Some of us give online at the church's website, or use our bank's online bill pay. Some of us make one large annual gift, or we fulfill our pledge by making a gift once a month. We give our time and our talents because all of our gifts make a difference. Note ways to participate on the reverse side.

Gold envelopes are available in the pews for any financial gifts you would like to give today. Place this card in the offering as a symbol of a gift you've made in another way.

Opportunities for the Week of January 6-January 13

Today		No Small Group Bible Study
	9:15	Choir Rehearsal
	10:00	Worship and Fellowship
	5:30	NYP: Neighborhood Youth Project at FCC
	5:30	Potluck & Program for Children & Families
	8:00	Language of the Heart Alcoholics Anonymous
Monday	9:30	Staff Meetings
Tuesday	7:00	Table Topics
	7:00	Elders Meeting
Wednesday	10:00	Fold and Label Newsletter
	11:30	Vintage Bunch
	7:00	Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	6:15	Table Talk Serves Dinner at the YWCA, 1801 E. Wendover
	8:00	Al-Anon and Alateen
Sunday	9:00	Small Group Bible Study
	9:15	Choir Rehearsal
	10:00	Worship and Fellowship
	11:15	Bell Choir Rehearsal
	8:00	Language of the Heart Alcoholics Anonymous

Good reading, good conversation, good company.

Join us Tuesday evenings beginning January 8, at 7:00 at the church. In January and February, we'll be reading Bipolar Faith by Monica Coleman. Pick up a copy and join us next week. Please note the book contains sensitive material.



Join the Vintage Bunch Wednesday, January 9, at 11:30 for Part 2: "Fitness for Seniors"

Serving Next Sunday, January 13

Acolyte Mosey Bogan **Elders** Spencer Smith and George Manley **Deacons** Troy Desselles, Robin Lund, Bill Lund, Diane Gillespie, Jamie Cannady, Cindy Boehling
Worship Leader Dottie Cox **Children's Moment** Lee Hull Moses
Children's Church Amanda Desselles and Brigid Otoo
Greeter Darilyn Knibb **Coffee Hour Host** Laura Tebow
Building Responsibilities Sue Hulighan

Contact Us

Phone 336.273.4725 **Email** info@fccgreensboro.org **Web** fccgreensboro.org
Staff Rev. Lee Hull Moses, Senior Minister – pastor@fccgreensboro.org
Rev. Melissa Guthrie Loy, Director of Congregational Life – admin@fccgreensboro.org
Woodson Faulkner, Music Director and Organist – woody@fccgreensboro.org
Pam Reese, Bookkeeper – bookkeeper@fccgreensboro.org
Leslie Gooding, Laura Hutchens, Chassidy Crump, Nursery
Amanda Desselles, Children's Church Leader Holly Lail, PYF Teacher

Epiphany Sunday

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

Epiphany Sunday, January 6, 2019

Chiming of the Hour

Gathering Music "The Shepherd's Farewell" from *L'Enfance du Christ*
Hector Berlioz (1803-1869)

Lighting of Candles and Processional Ashley Siu

***Choral Call to Worship** No. 164

"Good Christian Friends, Rejoice" (v. 3)
Good Christian friends, rejoice with heart and soul and voice!
Now you need not fear the grave: Peace! Peace!
Jesus Christ was born to save! Calls you one and calls you all, to gain the everlasting hall. Christ was born to save! Christ was born to save!

***Proclamation** Sam Tucker

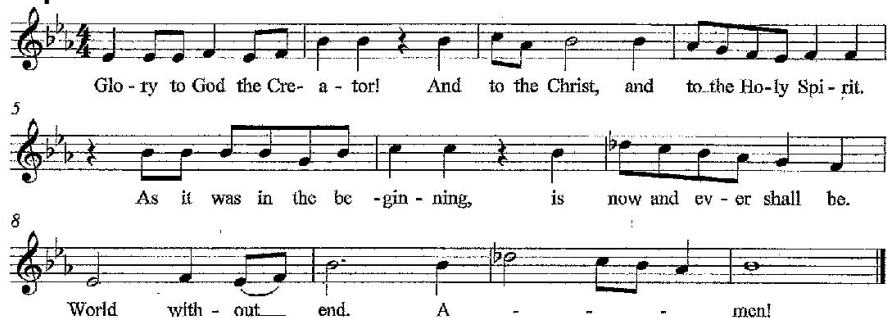
The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light;
those who dwelt in the land of deep darkness, on them light has shined.
Rejoice, people of God, the light has come.

***Hymn of Praise** No. 173
"As With Gladness" DIX

***Invocation and Lord's Prayer** Sam Tucker

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

***Response in Praise** "Gloria Creator Dei" W. Faulkner



Glo-ry to God the Cre-a-tor! And to the Christ, and to the Ho-ly Spi-rit.
 5 As it was in the be-gin-ning, is now and ev-er shall be.
 8 World with-out end. A-men!

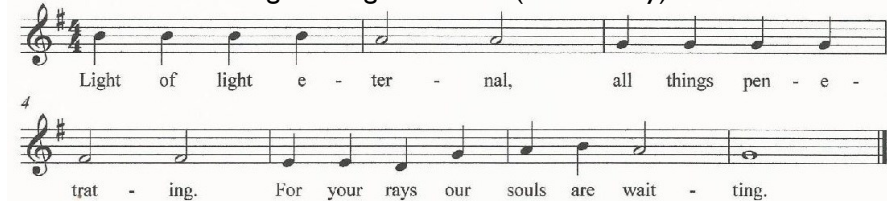
Words of Welcome Lee Hull Moses

Ministry Moment John Flynt

Scripture Matthew 2:1-12 Sam Tucker
 One: The word of God for the people of God.
Many: Thanks be to God.

Children's Moment Melissa Guthrie Loy
Following the Children's Moment, children age 3 through 2nd grade are invited to gather at the back of the sanctuary for Children's Church. Children's Church leaders: Amanda Desselles and Brigid Otoo

Prayers of the People
 Preparation for Prayer No. 282 ARNSBERG
 "Light of Light Eternal" (refrain only)



Light of light e-ter-nal, all things pen-e-
 4 trat-ing. For your rays our souls are wait-ing.

Pastoral Prayer Lee Hull Moses

Sharing our Gifts
 Call to Offering Eleanor Bray
 Offertory *Our gifts support the ministry of this congregation, here in our community and around the world. The gold envelopes in the pews can be used for general gifts to First Christian. The connection card in this bulletin can also symbolize gifts made electronically.*

***Response** "Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow" LASST UNS ERFREUEN
**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
 praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above,
 ye heavenly hosts: Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Dedication of Gifts Eleanor Bray

Installation of Leaders see insert

Anthem "Ancient Peoples Searched the Sky" Sally Ann Morris, 2009

Message "Wise and Wandering" Lee Hull Moses
 Isaiah 60:1-3

Sharing the Feast
 Communion Hymn No. 408
 "Come, Share the Lord" DIVERNON
 Call to Communion Lee Hull Moses

One: At this table we rejoice in the good news.
Many: The light of this feast shines in the darkness.
 One: We come to the table in need of God's grace.
Many: We find God's forgiveness here.
 One: Christ is with us.
Many: We are not alone.

Words of Institution Lee Hull Moses
 Prayer for the Bread and Cup Mike Wildman

One: The gifts of God for the people of God. Come, share in the feast.
All are invited to come forward to share in these gifts by taking a piece of the bread and dipping it into the cup. If you prefer to remain in your seat, a deacon will bring communion to you.
 One: We give you thanks, O God, for the light that shines from this table.
 May the mystery of this ordinary feast bless us now and always.
Many: Amen.

Invitation to Discipleship Lee Hull Moses

***Hymn of Dedication** No. 172
 "We Three Kings" KINGS OF ORIENT

***Taking the Light of Christ into the World** Ashley Siu

***Benediction** Lee Hull Moses

***Postlude** "Winter" from *The Four Seasons* Antonio Vivaldi (1678-1741)
**Please stand as you are able.*

Get Connected Stay Connected
prms Feel free to share Joys and Concerns:

- participate* Let us know your plans.
- I'll be at the tonight's gathering for the Neighborhood Youth Project.
 - We'll be at tonight's Potluck & Program for Children & Families.
 - I am interested in a book discussion with Table Topics on Tuesdays. The group will read *Bipolar Faith* by Monica Coleman.
 - I can help fold the newsletter Wednesday morning at 10.
 - I will be at Wednesday's "Fitness for Seniors" presentation with Vintage Bunch at 11:30 a.m.
 - I'll be at choir rehearsal Wednesday.
 - I can help with the meal at the shelter at the YWCA this Thursday. More details to come!
 - I can be a greeter on a Sunday morning.
 - Other: